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25X1 1. [redacted] three light phenomena happening  
at intervals of about 15 minutes were seen almost every night [redacted] 25X1

25X1 [redacted] The phenomena were watched from the PW camp in Pakhta Aral, about 50 km southwest of Tashkent (41°18'N/69°15'E), Uzbek S.S.R., in an east-southeasterly direction.

2. A darkened ball of fire was seen first; after about six seconds it reached the apex of a long-drawn out trajectory. During this time the ball had developed a trail of fire. Its color, which was bright red at the apex point, changed in color from pale green to white. Smoke trails, noises, or detonations were not noticed.
3. The distance of the trajectory from the point of observation was estimated at 60 to 80 km. \* The trajectory ran approximately from southwest to northeast; its length to the apex, which was from 5,000 to 12,000 meters high, was estimated at about 80 km. At the apex the ball of fire seemed about one-fifth the diameter of the full moon.

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1 Annex: One sketch showing trajectory.

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